

Missouri State Library

Show Me *Express*

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Show Me Express features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

REAL Program Agreement in Place for FY16

The State Library has completed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with MOREnet for REAL Program services for FY16. This MOU will make use of the \$2 million included in FY16 appropriations for HB12 in the state budget.

For the FY16 MOU, the State Library worked with MOREnet to determine how to best use the appropriated funds to provide support for the costs of public libraries including membership fees, connections, network connectivity fees and managed connection fees, as well as to support online resources costs. The FY16 MOU will provide full funding for the direct cost of public library member connections and the managed connection fees. The Network Connectivity Fee will be subsidized at 60 percent of the cost for main library connections and 40 percent of the branch library connections, as in previous years.

Full and basic membership fees for libraries will be subsidized at the same level as in FY15. Any members that dropped membership in FY15 will be allowed to return in FY16 and receive the subsidy from the appropriation for their membership. Please remember that MOREnet announced an increase to the membership fees for all members for FY16 to help cover an estimated reduced appropriation, and that increase will be shown in the library's invoices. The subsidy percentage from the appropriation will be the same, but since the amount has increased, the library's share of the membership fee will still be a higher amount than in FY15.

The MOU also includes an allocation to support the statewide online resources offered to MOREnet members, particularly the EBSCO general periodical database and Learning Express Library. The Heritage Quest database will continue to be offered based on support from MOREnet public library members and membership fees. These resources are available to all MOREnet members with either a full or basic level membership.

Those libraries that need to have bandwidth upgrades for their connections may apply to MOREnet during scheduled application periods. Those requests will then be reviewed by the State Library and are subject to approval based on available funding.

More information about MOREnet fees and the FY16 database offerings is available on the [MOREnet Announcements](#) website. In addition, please note that some clarifications have been made to the membership and branch connections policy to address questions about public libraries that want to return to MOREnet membership. The policies include: [Rejoining REAL Program](#), [Returning Main Connection](#) and [Returning Branch Connection](#).

If you have questions about the FY16 REAL Program MOU, please contact Debbie Musselman at Debbie.Musselman@sos.mo.gov or Jeanne Sullivan at Jeanne@more.net.

State Aid Certification Forms Due July 31, 2015

In order to be certified for state aid, a public library must complete and submit the following three forms by July 31, 2015:

1. State Aid Application
2. List of Trustees
3. Certification of Compliance

All of the forms are linked on the [Certifications and Document Filing Schedule](#) page of the Missouri State Library website. Any questions regarding state aid certification may be directed by e-mail to Terry Blauvelt at terry.blauvelt@sos.mo.gov or Debbie Musselman at debbie.musselman@sos.mo.gov or (800) 325-0131.

Upcoming Continuing Education Opportunities from the State Library

LAST CALL: Financial Literacy Resource Sampler on July 16, 2015 from 10-11:30 a.m.

Join staff from the Federal Reserve Bank of Saint Louis as they offer a “sampler” session on the free personal finance and basic economic materials available for use in financial literacy programs for people of all ages. Registration is required and may be completed at [Financial Literacy Resource Sampler](#). Any questions about the webinar should be directed to Debbie Musselman at debbie.musselman@sos.mo.gov.

Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Resources for Libraries on August 20, 2015 from 10-11 a.m.

Libraries are faced with many types of emergencies. Librarians have a warning for some, and for others have little or no warning at all. In this webinar, Barbara Jones from the National Network of Libraries of Medicine-MidContinental Region will present information on the 10 Step Emergency Planning Process and ways to prepare the library and staff for disasters of all kinds. Disaster resources will also be discussed. Libraries with an emergency preparedness plan may want a staff member to attend to compare the library’s plan with the suggestions offered during the session. Registration is required and may be completed at [Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Resources for Libraries](#). Any questions about the webinar should be directed to Debbie Musselman at debbie.musselman@sos.mo.gov.

Public Libraries and Community Engagement Webinar Series

In September 2015, the Missouri State Library will hold a webinar series on *Public Libraries and Community Engagement*. Cassandra O’Neill with Wholonomy Consulting will be the presenter. The series will be most beneficial if a group from the library, including people such as the director, staff members, or trustees, can take part. However, this is not required. The series will offer resources to use in implementing the principles presented, and will include a Partner Mapping Toolkit, Facilitation Tips, and Six Secrets of High Impact Presenting.

Webinar 1: Effective Community Engagement on September 10 from 10-11:30 a.m.

Webinar 2: Communicating with Stakeholders on September 17 from 10-11:00 a.m.

Webinar 3: Developing Effective Partnerships on September 24 from 10-11:00 a.m.

A more complete description of the series is available in the [June 16, 2015 issue of *Show Me Express*](#). Registration for each webinar is required and may be completed at [Missouri State Library Training Opportunities](#). Any questions regarding the series should be directed to Debbie Musselman at debbie.musselman@sos.mo.gov or (800) 325-0131.

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